

# Environmental Services News Release

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# City of San Diego Waives Fees and Reimburses City Residents Affected by Cedar Fires for Landfill Disposal and Recycling Costs

**SAN DIEGO, CA** — City of San Diego will waive fees and reimburse costs for disposal of fire-related debris at the City's Miramar Landfill and recycling concrete and/or brick for city of San Diego residents and business owners whose homes and businesses within the city limits were destroyed or damaged in the Cedar Fires. The City will provide eligible residents with information packets that will include both landfill disposal fee waiver vouchers and property owner reimbursement forms.

Residents will receive five landfill vouchers, marked with their specific property address, for disposal of all above slab fire damaged debris. These vouchers are valid for six months and are accepted at the City's Miramar Landfill only. To receive the fee waiver, residents must provide their hired demolition contractor with one voucher per load to present to a fee booth operator at the Miramar Landfill.

To have fees waived for recycling concrete, residents will receive one recycling voucher that is good for four loads of recycled materials and is valid only at Hanson Aggregates, located at 9229 Harris Plant Road, San Diego, CA 92163. Hanson Aggregates is donating concrete recycling to residents whose city of San Diego homes were destroyed or damaged in the Cedar Fires.

Residents who are planning to go to another concrete and/or brick recycling facility and would like to be reimbursed must retain their receipts and go to a City approved recycling facility listed on the City's document: *Approved Construction and Demolition Material* 

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Recycling Facilities For Use by City of San Diego Residents, and Their Contractors, Whose Homes were Destroyed or Damaged within the City of San Diego. This list is included in residents' information packets and is also available through the City Clerk's Office.

Residents who have already disposed of fire-related debris or recycled their concrete and brick can apply for reimbursement by submitting their completed property owner reimbursement form; a copy of demolition permit with a signature of a City Development Services Department Inspector; and receipts from the Miramar Landfill and recycling facility (original receipts are preferred) to: Fire Debris Refund, City of San Diego, 9601 Ridgehaven Court, Suite 320, San Diego, CA 92123.

Residents who have recycled concrete and brick with a recycling facility that is not on the City approved list may not qualify for reimbursement. Although, the City encourages residents to submit their receipts along with their reimbursement form to be reviewed and considered for reimbursement. Reimbursement for disposal of fire-related debris from any landfill in San Diego County other than the Miramar Landfill is not available.

Eligible Scripps Ranch residents, with proof of residency, can collect their information packets from the Local Assistance Center (LAC) at the Scripps Ranch Recreation Center located at 11454 Blue Cypress Drive. The LAC hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and closed on Sunday.

Eligible Tierrasanta residents can collect their packets at the Tierrasanta Community Service Center located at 10615-E Tierrasanta Blvd. The Tierrasanta Community Service Center is open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 to 5:00 p.m.; Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.; and closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Both the LAC and the Tierrasanta Community Service Center will be closed on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28, 2003 to observe the Thanksgiving Holiday. The LAC will return to normal operating hours on Saturday, November 29, 2003. The Tierrasanta Community Service Center will reopen on Monday, December 1, 2003.

Scripps Ranch and Tierrasanta residents whose homes were not completely destroyed during the fires but have some property damage and did not receive information packets will

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need to call the City's Environmental Services Department. These property damages will be assessed by City Code Enforcement Officers who will provide residents with the appropriate number of vouchers to assist with the fire damage debris disposal.

For more information about the vouchers and reimbursement forms and continued updates on new information related to disposal and recycling of fire-related materials, please visit the City of San Diego's website at <a href="www.sandiego.gov">www.sandiego.gov</a>, the Scripps Ranch Civic Association's website at <a href="http://www.scrippsranch.org">http://www.scrippsranch.org</a>, or call the City's Environmental Services Department at (858) 694-7000.

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